

DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES
744 P Street, Sacramento, CA 95814

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COUNTY FISCAL LETTER (CFL) NO. 99/00-16

TO: ALL COUNTY FISCAL OFFICERS
ALL COUNTY WELFARE DIRECTORS
ALL COUNTY FOSTER CARE EDUCATION PROJECT COORDINATORS
THE CHANCELLOR'S OFFICE OF CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES
THE CALIFORNIA COMMUNITY COLLEGES FOUNDATION
THE FOSTER CARE EDUCATION COORDINATORS OF THE CALIFORNIA
COMMUNITY COLLEGES
CALIFORNIA DEPARTMENT OF SOCIAL SERVICES COMMUNITY CARE
LICENSING COUNTY LIAISONS
CALIFORNIA STATE FOSTER PARENT ASSOCIATION
COUNTY AB 2129 PROJECT COORDINATORS

SUBJECT: FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT ALLOCATION
FOR FISCAL YEAR (FY) 1999/2000

This County Fiscal Letter is to advise the counties that a total of \$3,201,000 has been approved for the continuation of the Foster Care Initiative with the passage of the Budget Act of 1999. This initiative was implemented pursuant to Assembly Bill 2129 (Chapter 1089, Statutes of 1993) and Senate Bill 426 (Chapter 892, Statutes of 1993).

For Fiscal Year (FY) 1999/00, \$1,540,000 in the State General Fund (SGF) is budgeted for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment. As in prior years, \$62,500 in SGF has been set aside from the allocation to fund statewide recruitment and training activities and \$20,568 in SGF has been set aside for the California State Foster Parent Conference Contract. The attached provides you with the allocation distribution of the remaining SGF.

Training funds were allocated based on the average monthly number of children placed in out-of-home care, excluding group homes, foster family agencies, and probation. Recruitment funds were allocated based on average monthly number of children in out-of-home placements, excluding probation. Average monthly figures were based on the caseload period of January 1998 through December 1998 as reported by counties. The funds were adjusted to ensure a \$2,000 SGF minimum allocation per county. Additionally, no county received less than they spent in FY 1997/98. There is no county match required for either training or recruitment activities and both are eligible for matching federal Title IV-E funds.

Fiscal Claiming Instructions

In order to claim program funds, all counties must submit a Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plan for FY 1999/00. The deadline for submission of a county plan is **September 9, 1999**. County plans must be developed in collaboration with their Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Advisory Committees that are comprised of foster parents, community college and county staff. These funds shall only be used to enhance or expand existing programs, or for the development of new programs, and cannot be used to supplant existing programs. The Foster Parent Training and Recruitment Plans must be submitted to:

California Department of Social Services
Foster Care Services Bureau
Foster Care Recruitment and Training Unit
Attn: Vebra Switzer
744 P Street, Mail Station 19-70
Sacramento, California 95814

The costs for Foster Parent Training and Recruitment are funded with state and federal funds where costs are Title IV-E eligible. The State share of cost for these expenditures is charged against the county's allocation. Costs reported on the County Expense Claim are charged to the allocation as follows:

Program Code	Subprogram Code	Program Identifier Code	Description
504			AB 2129 Foster Parent Training (75% Fed/25% SGF)
	5040		AB 2129 Foster Parent Training
505			AB 2129 Foster Parent Training – NF (100% SGF)
	5050		AB 2129 Foster Parent Training – NF
506			AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment (50% Fed/50% SGF)
	5060		AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment
		506055	Contracted Administration
507			AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment – NF (100% SGF)
	5070		AB 2129 Foster Parent Recruitment – NF
508			State Use Only - Foster Parent – 504 through 507
	5080		State Use Only - Foster Parent – 504 through 507 (Used by CDSS to shift costs claimed in excess of the combined State Training and Recruitment allocation to County share.)

If you have any questions regarding the county plan or the use of these funds, please contact Vebra Switzer of the Foster Care Branch, Recruitment and Training Unit at (916) 323-0592. Questions on claiming or allocations/controls may be directed as follows:

PROGRAM: Foster Care Services Bureau (916) 445-7001

ALLOCATIONS: Contracts and Financial Analysis Bureau (916) 657-3806

CLAIMING: Fiscal Policy Bureau (916) 657-3440

***Original Document Signed by
Douglas D. Park on 7/22/99***

DOUGLAS D. PARK, Chief
Financial Planning Branch

Attachment

FOSTER PARENT TRAINING AND RECRUITMENT

COUNTIES	99/00 STATE ALLOCATION
Alameda	67,388
Alpine	2,000
Amador	2,000
Butte	7,350
Calaveras	2,000
Colusa	2,000
Contra Costa	68,938
Del Norte	2,000
El Dorado	2,558
Fresno	34,696
Glenn	2,000
Humboldt	11,851
Imperial	3,192
Inyo	5,060
Kern	27,405
Kings	3,394
Lake	2,000
Lassen	2,000
Los Angeles	489,892
Madera	2,216
Marin	2,000
Mariposa	2,000
Mendocino	3,794
Merced	3,019
Modoc	2,000
Mono	2,000
Monterey	4,873
Napa	4,686
Nevada	2,536
Orange	47,085
Placer	4,570
Plumas	2,000
Riverside	64,543
Sacramento	108,547
San Benito	2,000
San Bernardino	100,694
San Diego	125,638
San Francisco	50,541
San Joaquin	50,537
San Luis Obispo	4,445
San Mateo	6,219
Santa Barbara	3,821
Santa Clara	29,645
Santa Cruz	6,584
Shasta	5,579
Sierra	2,000
Siskiyou	2,000
Solano	5,940
Sonoma	20,968
Stanislaus	8,033
Sutter	3,229
Tehama	2,563
Trinity	2,000
Tulare	13,874
Tuolumne	2,000
Ventura	6,910
Yolo	4,238
Yuba	3,881
Total	1,456,932